

to the sunshine act as it relates to planning commissions. Therefore, this is the proper place for it, and by removing the sunshine section, section 13, of LB 186, we avoid the major controversy that has delayed the necessary procedural changes in the rest of the bill. I will leave my amendments which take section 13, as amended, intact on LB 210. It will be considered at that point and you notice that LB 210 is second on the General File list so we should get to it this afternoon. Therefore, Mr. President, I move for the striking, my amendment, which strikes section 13 as amended.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, a question for Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Yes, Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: I guess the only concern that I would have about this is that I am sure you are painfully aware we have spent rather a substantial amount of time debating the whole aspect of the sunshine provision, and if we go ahead and strike this section which I happen to be in favor of, first of all, I have no assurance that the body will turn around and then adopt those particular amendments and put them on 210. Furthermore, I can see the possibility of us spending another hour or two hours discussing those types of amendments and that is my concern in regards to your particular amendment. If you would care to respond to that statement.

SENATOR BEREUTER: It is a concern that is legitimate, Senator Simon. I would point out this to you, however, that no matter where these provisions are, whether they are retained in section 13 of LB 186, we are going to spend substantial amount of time on them further, further amount of time on them. So simply by transferring them to LB 210 will not prolong the debate because we would have that type of debate on 186 if they were left there. The amendments that are on there now, as it finally stood, the last amendment that went on went on without objection.

SENATOR SIMON: Thank you, Senator Bereuter. I think I am still going to go ahead and oppose the Bereuter motion. I guess I am concerned because the original comments that I made, this body has spent considerable amount of time discussing the whole aspect of the political accountability commission, the sunshine law. It seems to me that 186 is a good vehicle. Perhaps 210 might be slightly better. They are both good vehicles for adopting these types of amendments. I guess I do feel in my own mind that by pulling these amendments off, by striking them, we, therefore, would have to turn around and readopt them in 210. It would seem to me that we are making the opportunity for discussion much more apparent than we would be if, I think we are about done with debating 186 and, Senator Bereuter, I think we are about done discussing the aspects of the political accountability commission. It seems to me that we are ready to move the bill along and, on the other hand, if we pull these amendments off and put them on 210 and we start the whole ball rolling again, we spend another hour or two hours, we can discuss the aspects of Senator DeCamp's bill, I don't want to go through that mess again. I like the way that the bill is now. A